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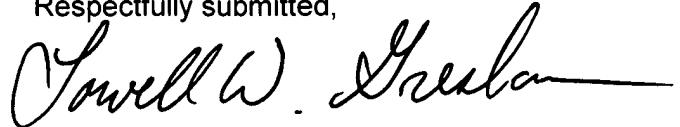
TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Your applicant, Sharon A. Ritchey, inventor of *STUFFED TOY WITH REPLACEABLE PLAY-STIMULATION ITEM*, application for which is submitted concurrently herewith (M&G Docket 7531-A-1CIP2CON), in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, submit the references listed on the attached forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application.

The above-identified patent application is a continuation of "*STUFFED TOY WITH REPLACEABLE PLAY-STIMULATION ITEM*," Serial No. 10/211,444, filed 2 August 2002 (the Parent Application), which is a replacement of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/532,665, filed 21 March 2000, since abandoned, which is a Continuation-In-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/612,385, now U.S. Patent No. 6,048,248, issued 11 April 2000. Copies are omitted as set forth in 37 CFR 1.98(d) for the following cited documents listed on the attached forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B, which are already of record in the parent application.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached form PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B with initials or other appropriate marks.

Respectfully submitted,



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